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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL EXPEDITED PROCEDURE ART UNIT 1652

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Short and Keller

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Examiner:

D. J. Steadman

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Title:

HIGH THROUGHPUT FLUORESCENCE-BASED SCREENING FOR

NOVEL ENZYMES (As Amended)

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed December 27, 2002, please consider the following remarks.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, May 26, 2003, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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